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**PETITION FOR RETROACTIVE EXTENSION OF TIME, 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

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Sir:

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Applicant requests retroactive extension of the term for response to the official action mailed December 8, 2003, to and including the filing of the attached Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 and Notice of Appeal. The required fee for the requested three month extension, is contained in a charge authorization submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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